

Sunni

Shia

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The Shia believes that the Caliphs should be related to Muhammad.

90% of Muslims belong to the Sunni.

940 million

Sunni believe that angels are made of light and follow every word of God.

Name means "well-trodden path" or "tradition"

The pillars they follow- 1. Shahadah (Testament of Faith) 2. Salah (Prayer) 3. Zakat (Alms giving) 4. Sawm (Fasting) 5. Hajj (Pilgrimage), Jihad (Struggle in the way of Allah)

10% of Muslims belong to the Shia.

120 million

Shia believes that angels are God's messengers.

Name means "party" or "partisans" of Ali

The pillars they follow- 1. Salat (Worship) 2. Sawm (Fast) 3. Hajj (Pilgrimage) 4. Zakaat (Poor-rate) 5. Khums (One-fifth) 6. Amr-Bil-Ma'ruf (Promotion) 7. Nahi-Anil-Munkar (Dissuasion) 8. Tawalla (Re-affirmation) 9. Tabarra (disassociation from the enemies of Islam)

They both recognize the same prophets.

I wonder why they would split apart. Couldn't they figure out how to solve who should be Caliph together?